



Biography

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BRIGADIER GENERAL FRANK B. HORTON III

Brigadier General Frank B. Horton III is deputy director for the National Strategic Target List, Joint Strategic Target Planning Staff, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.

General Horton was born Oct. 29, 1940, in Wilmington, Del., and graduated from Bellaire High School, Houston, in 1958. He received his commission and bachelor of science degree from the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, N.Y., in 1962 as a distinguished graduate. The general then attended Air Intelligence School at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, and was named a distinguished graduate in 1962. He attended Harvard University and earned a master's degree in public administration in 1966 and a doctorate in political science in foreign and defense policy in 1969. He was named Harvard's outstanding political science graduate student in 1967. He completed Squadron Officer School, Air Command and Staff College, and the Air War College by correspondence in 1970, 1974 and 1976, respectively; and the National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C., in 1978.



In his initial assignment in 1962, General Horton was assigned to Strategic Air Command headquarters, as a computer programmer and systems analyst in the Target Programs Branch, Targets Division, Directorate of Intelligence, until June 1965 when he was selected to attend Harvard University in an Air Force Institute of Technology-sponsored graduate study program.

Transferring to the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo., in July 1968, General Horton served as an instructor in the department of political science until June 1970. During the summer of 1969, he was attached to the National Security Council staff. From July 1970 to June 1971, he served a tour of duty in Southeast Asia as an operations analyst, Tactical Analysis Division, Directorate of Operations, Headquarters 7th Air Force. He returned to the United States and served as executive officer and assistant professor in the Air Force Academy department, of political science, until June 1972 when he became an associate professor. While there he served the summer of 1972 attached to the Plans and Programs Directorate, Headquarters United States European Command.

General Horton was assigned as a planning and programming officer in the Office of the Assistant for Analysis, Deputy Director of Plans for Force Development (redesignated the Office of the Assistant Director of Plans for Strategy Development and Analysis), Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, Plans and Operations, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C., from June 1973 until August 1977. During this period he served as Air Staff action officer for strategy, force structure and planning, programming and budgeting system related issues. He also led the Air Staff team dealing with the Ford/Carter presidential transition.

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